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ATTENTION CITY OF FORT SMITH WARD 3 RESIDENTS. Due to the resignation of Ward 3 Director Mike Lorenz, effective March 13, 2019, the aforementioned position is now vacant. The City of Fort Smith Board of Directors may appoint an individual to fill the unexpired term, which expires December 31, 2020.

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-51-19, adopted at the March 12, 2019 regular meeting:

1. Any qualified elector who is a resident of Ward 3 meeting all qualifications to serve as Ward 3 Director are hereby invited to make application for appointment consideration. Potential appointees must be:
 - ▶ At least 21 years of age
 - ▶ Resident of the city for at least 6 months
 - ▶ Registered voter in the city of Fort Smith
 - ▶ Reside within Ward 3
2. An application period for potential appointment to serve as Ward 3 Director to complete the unexpired term through December 31, 2020 is hereby set for March 14, 2019 to March 26, 2019.
3. Qualified Electors residing in Ward 3 who wish to apply and be considered for the Ward 3 Director position must provide a current resume and a memorandum describing the reason(s) why they wish to be appointed along with a description of the qualities they possess that make them the best candidate. This information must be submitted to the City of Fort Smith City Clerk, 623 Garrison Avenue, Room 303, no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 26, 2019.
4. Upon receipt and review of the documentation submitted, all applicants will be forwarded to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may schedule a special meeting, open to the public, on either March 28, 2019, March 29, 2019, or April 1, 2019 to interview potential candidates and discuss the appointment. The Board may choose not to interview candidates at the special meeting, but they may choose to go into Executive Session to discuss the candidates.
5. At the April 2, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors, the Board may vote to appoint a candidate from those qualified electors who submitted the required documentation to fill the unexpired term of the Ward 3 Director. The Board of Directors may decide to forego appointing a candidate and choose to call for a special election to fill the vacancy.

For more information, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 479-784-2208.

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